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1. In view of the previous production of the Walzwerk Willy Becker VEB, Kirchmooser, it was assumed that it would be able to produce 20,000 tons of thick plate in the fourth quarter of 1952. However, because of the serious supply situation, the Ministry of Smelting and Mining set a quota of 24,000 tons for the works in the fourth quarter of 1952.
2. The Walzwerk fuer Buntmetalle Kupfer- und Messing (SAG Marten), Hettstedt, has rolled on the average 9,165 tons of thick plate a month. This is considerably below the monthly average production agreed upon in November 1951 with the SAG Administration, Weissensee. On the basis of this production, Hettstedt would be assigned a quota of 27,500 tons. Although Hettstedt at first proposed a quota of 26,600 tons, the State Administration for Material Procurement (Staatliche Verwaltung fuer Materialversorgung) maintained that Hettstedt can and must produce several thousand tons in excess of its proposed quota, and proposed the following allocation of the supplementary production:

HV Bauindustrie	1,550 tons for priority construction projects
HV Kohle	66 tons for priority construction projects
perhaps SAG	1,000 tons for a bloomery installation (Rennenlage) at Maxhutte
3. 45,816 tons of thick plate are still due the Ministry of Machine Construction, under the quota established for the fourth quarter. From this amount 3,000 tons (the Ministry's stockpile) were subtracted. Of the remaining quota of 42,816 tons, 39,831 tons are to be supplied from East German production and 2,985 tons from imports. The quantities to be supplied from internal production were to be obtained, in accordance with the wishes of the Ministry,

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from the following plants:

Kirchmoeser	19,200 tons
Ilseburg	6,000 tons
Hettstedt	12,331 tons
Maxhuetten	500 tons
Auerhammer	<u>1,800 tons</u>
	39,831 tons

4. The SAC Main Administration protested the reduction of its figures by 4,000 tons (SAC stockpile). Taking this reduction into account, the previously authorized quotas for the fourth quarter still remaining open amounted to 19,398 tons. The quotas were to be allocated in the following manner in accordance with the wishes of the SAC Main Administration:

Kirchmoeser	5,000 tons
Ilseburg	3,000 tons
Hettstedt	<u>2,683 tons</u>
	10,683 tons

5. HV Kohle still has a claim to 3,266 tons under the quota for the fourth quarter, which was reduced by 1,000 tons. HV Kohle protested, claiming that it would not be possible to assure the supply of thick plates to the Lauchhammer coking plant, the construction of large equipment and the mechanization program of Steinkohle Zwickau and the construction program of generator installations for rolling mills.
6. The previously authorized quota for the HV Bauindustrie in the fourth quarter of 1952 amounted to 5,501 tons according to DMZ Metall but Bauindustrie claimed 6,900 tons. Bauindustrie believed the difference arose when Hettstedt and Ilseburg delivered less than their reports indicated. Hettstedt did not completely fulfill its quota of rolled products to Bauindustrie, which, however, received plates of odd measurements from DMZ Metall branches, which were included in the quotas.
7. HV Bauindustrie protested the reduction by 1,500 tons of its remaining previously authorized quota. On 28 January 1952 the State Planning Commission transferred certain amounts on the books from Bauindustrie to other quota bearers. This reduction was to be retroactive; however, it was finally carried out without reducing the quotas of the beneficiaries. From a general survey of the total production of plants under the Ministry of Smelting and Mining it was concluded that the extra quota of 10,000 tons of thick plate included in the government decree of 14 July 1952 would be short by at least 2,000 tons. This shortage was taken into account when the final quotas were set up.
8. The DMZ Metall distribution depots were ordered to see that withdrawals on the part of the quota bearer were carried out in a way to ensure acceptance of at least 20% of odd plates and plates with superficial faults.

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The following is a survey of the quotas previously authorized, the quotas requested, and the quotas finally decided upon for thick plate for the fourth quarter of 1952. The amounts are in tons.

Quota Bearers	Quotas Previously Authorized	Quotas Requested	Final Quotas (From DMR Pro- duction and Imports)
Ministry of Machine			
Construction	42,816	81,017	42,816
SAG	19,398	27,798	19,398
HV Kahlé	2,866	4,713	2,800
HV Pauindustrie	5,501	9,019	4,000
Ministry of Transportation	4,972	4,334	2,000
Ministry of Smelting and			
Mining	1,742	2,500	2,100
Government orders	3,023	785	785
Leuzhhammer Thuringia	155	175	155
Leuzhhammer Saxony	617	573	548
"NAP"	-	100	100
Miscellaneous	-	-	98
TOTAL	81,090	133,014	74,800

The following is the breakdown by source of total thick plates, plates of medium-thickness, thin plates, and extra-thin plates to be delivered to the quota bearers during the fourth quarter of 1952. The amounts are in tons. These amounts differ only in the following instances from the actual quota allocations for the same period. The allocation of thick plate from Kirchmoesser to HV Bauindustrie was 1,178 tons. The allocation of plate of medium thickness from Olbernhau for government orders was 1,013 tons. The allocation of thin plate from Thale to the Ministry of Machine Construction was 2,888 tons, and from Thale to other quota bearers was 4,792 tons.

Enterprise	Machine Construction	J. A. G.	HV Kchle	HV Bau- Industrie	Transport	Smelting and Mining	Government Orders	Lauchhammer Thuringia	Saxony	"J. A. P." ¹	Others	"Zelle 1" 24"
a) Thick plate												
Hettstedt												
Rolling mill I	6,000	2,100	100	450	-	420	25	-	-	-	-	-
Rolling mill II	5,000	1,500	300	500	770	400	60	-	28	-	-	-
Rolling mill III	6,164	883	750	-	-	-	150	-	-	-	-	-
Ilseburg												
Rolling mill I	1,500	1,500	300	700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rolling mill II	1,967	-	500	-	-	300	-	100	53	80	-	-
Kirchmoesser	10,000	4,700	650	1,170	-	430	500	55	767	20	-	-
Auerhammer	1,700	-	200	-	-	50	50	-	-	-	-	-
Lehnshutte	500	-	-	1,172	1,230	500	-	-	-	-	98	-
DIA, Berlin	2,982	8,715	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	42,816	19,598	2,800	2,992	2,000	2,100	785	155	548	100	98	-
b) Plate of medium thickness												
Hettstedt	-	1,500	-	100	225	-	-	-	-	-	150	-
Auerhammer	1,500	550	550	290	425	320	145	-	-	-	-	-
Olbernhau	757	540	750	250	225	-	-	4	250	-	6	125
DIA, Berlin	-	285	237	-	-	-	1,101	-	-	-	1,168	-
	2,257	3,075	1,527	580	705	320	4,501	4	250	-	1,374	125
c) Thin and extra-thin												
Burg (Pos. 25)	300	30	27	24	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	200
Burg (Pos. 22)	2,300	125	100	75	200	158	-	-	-	42	-	-
Thale	2,820	2,410	350	810	884	787	5,000	-	77	-	-	4,000
Olbernhau	200	-	-	-	-	42	-	-	-	-	23	-
DIA, Berlin (Pos. 22)	-	-	145	-	-	-	689	-	-	-	6,148	1,800
DIA, Berlin (Pos. 25)	2,121	1,133	40	-	48	-	-	-	-	-	1,953	-
	7,801	2,598	662	919	1,132	996	5,689	-	79	42	8,124	6,000

1. [] Comment. Not further identified.